



# GARDEN STATE MARQUETRY SOCIETY PLUS

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## Highlights from our June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Meeting

**The meeting was opened** by John Truskowski at 9:20am after some mixing and mingling. One new guest was in attendance.

**Club Library:** Two wood identification books have been added to our Club's Book Library.

### September Picnic Meeting Details:

- When: Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009, approx. 9am–2:30pm
- Where: Clover Hill Farms in Wall, NJ located on Hospital Road & Rt 524 (Atlantic Avenue).
- Donation of \$5 per person is requested; feel free to bring a guest.
- The Farm & Museum is early Americana style.
- We expect about 50 people to attend
- CJWA is welcome to attend though they have their own summer meeting scheduled.
- The Club has invited Rob Nettleton for a demo. Rob N is known for making Marquetry jewelry with a Chop Saw & is often seen at the Kutztown Fair.
- Jerry & John Liska Jr. will be cooking on 2 grills.
- Barbara Bram is organizing the food; let her know what you are bringing & how many it serves.
- Do not bring summer projects to this picnic. We will display them at the Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

### Upcoming Activities:

- **September Library Display Cases** – We will again display member projects in the Library

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Display cases. Contact Pete Laudati or drop off projects at the Library on the first Tuesday in September (9/1) at 9am.

Note: Library Display pieces do not need to be "masterpieces" and can even be your first project. We like to display a wide range of projects that club members have completed.

- **North–East Woodworkers Roundup** in the Poconos will be on July 19–23 with about 26 instructors. Classes are free, just pay for your own lodging, food and transport. (Info at: [www.geocities.com/gareinfried](http://www.geocities.com/gareinfried). A flier has been posted on our Website.)

**Handouts** – A two page handout on "Rust Removal Made Easy" from American Woodworker October 2004 was distributed at the June meeting & will be posted to the website.

**Embroidered Club Shirts** – A sample shirt embroidered with the Club's logo has been requested, current estimated price per shirt is \$18.75 + \$1 for logo.

**Next Meeting at the Library will be on October 3<sup>rd</sup>** Please bring your summer projects to the October 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, any craft type welcome. There will be a "prize" for everyone that presents their own summer project. □

### Upcoming Meetings:

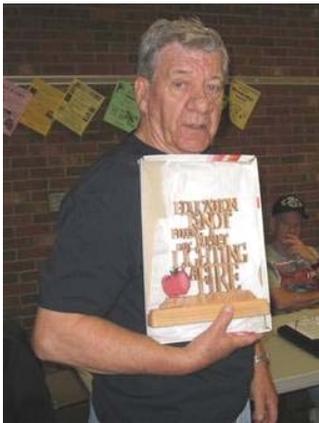
In 2009: SUMMER BREAK, Sep 12 (Picnic Meeting), Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

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## “Show & Tell” Projects from Our June 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting



Bob Lewis - Education Theme Scroll Saw



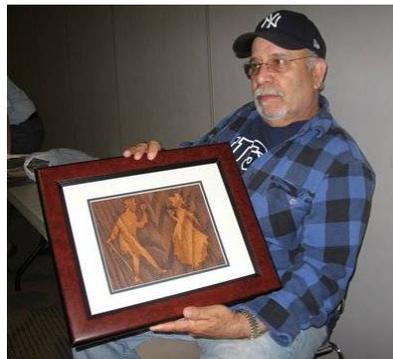
Larry Nagel - Compass Rose Marquetry



Eva Hoefele - Woodburning In Progress



Pete Laudati - Caricature Carvings



Phil Rivera - Marquetry



There were also Show & Tell projects by Marty Schwartz & Charlie Brainard that we don't have pictures of.

## Parquetry Presentation by John Graham

John Graham explained how Parquetry consists of straight-line and geometric patterns with veneers that are 1/28<sup>th</sup> or 1/40<sup>th</sup> of an inch thick. When veneers are sliced, the grains may look identical but vary slightly so it's important to mark them with sequence numbers, like pages in a book. Grains can be matched like a “book match” or “slip match”. You should experiment with how the light hits the veneer with different alignments. Often used are Wood Quilting Patterns. For geometric patterns, use precise angles and watch for accumulation of errors. John recommends that it's better to cut veneers with a hand-held veneer saw than with too flexible scalpel blades. Also, be sure to test your finish color before using material in a project.



Join us at our upcoming meetings: -SUMMER BREAK-, Sep 12 (Picnic Meeting), Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, Dec 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Location: The Monmouth County Library on: 125 Symmes Rd, in Manalapan, NJ  
 You can find Directions online at: [http://gsmsplus.com/meeting\\_info.php](http://gsmsplus.com/meeting_info.php)

## Dr. Shayegan presents his Persian Rug Marquetry

Dr. Shayegan, an ophthalmologist from Philadelphia, graciously shared his hobby of making Persian Rug designs in Marquetry. He brought in some incredibly detailed and amazingly accurate Marquetry replicas of Persian Rug designs, each taking him from 1 to 2 years to complete. His tools include a fret saw, forceps, and knives. His fret saw blades are so fine that you can't even see the teeth on them. He gets veneers from Constantine's and from travelling abroad. Other supplies are from jewelry supply stores. He uses a straight (not angled) cut and often cuts both fitting pieces at the same time. To avoid chipping, he suggests supporting the piece you are cutting with cardboard or an old veneer. Sanding the finished piece is the most nerve-racking part for him. His work has been exhibited at the Philadelphia Art Museum. We thank him for taking the time to speak with us about his hobby!



*Dr. Shayegan*



*The Dr.'s Marquetry Tools*



